

Quarterly List of WGBX-TV Programming Providing the Most Significant Treatment of Community Issues - WGBX-TV (October-December 2010)

I. Education/Schools/Youth

Tavis Smiley Reports, N 12/31/10, 5am, 60 min.

Tavis Smiley gives viewers an extraordinary look into the life and artistry of the L.A. Philharmonic's charismatic conductor. Dudamel is instrumental in inspiring the launch of the L.A. Philharmonic's Youth Orchestra Los Angeles initiative, which provides Los Angeles school children with music education. Tavis profiles some of the remarkable kids whose lives are being transformed by Dudamel's commitment to free music education for all.

This Old House Hour: Roxbury Project, N 10/02/10, 5am, 60 min.

Landscape contractor Roger Cook teaches Boston YouthBuild apprentices to landscape the yard of the Roxbury Project.

Need to Know, N 12/11/10, 1:30am, 60 min.

With the results of a global education report released this week that ranks the U.S. a disheartening 26 out of 65 countries in combined scores for math, science and reading tests, on Meacham speaks with Thomas Hatch, an education reform specialist at Columbia University's Teachers College about why the United States does not perform better, and what changes are needed to improve our educational system and standings.

II. Housing/Urban Development

Rudy Maxa's World, N 11/19/10, 3:30pm, 60 min.

An instructional look at Cape Town South Africa as residents and government work to put to reinvents itself and put the injustice of apartheid behind them.

Rick Steves European Insights, N 11/30/10, 7:30pm, 30 min.

Rick Steves tours Europe to discover exciting and innovative investments in big city infrastructure.

Independent Lens: Dirt, N 12/09/10, 3am, 60 min.

Independent Lens examines how industrial farming, mining and urban development have led us toward cataclysmic droughts, starvation, floods and climate change.

III. Public Safety/Crime/Justice

Frontline, N 11/10/10, 2:30pm, 90 min.

Why would four innocent men confess to a brutal crime they didn't commit? FRONTLINE investigates the conviction of four sailors for the rape and murder of a Norfolk, Virginia, woman in 1997.

To The Contrary With Bonnie Erbe, N 11/07/10, 7:30am, 30 min.

Rehashing Justice Thomas' Confirmation Hearings: New incriminating evidence surfaces after almost two decades about the Supreme Court Justice.

Need to Know, N 12/11/10, 1:30am, 60 min.

Need to Know correspondent John Larson reports about coal mine safety, focusing on Massey Energy, a company involved in the West Virginia mine explosion that the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration calls "the worst mining disaster in almost 40 years."

IV. Needs of Special Interest Groups

POV: Off And Running, N 10/14/10, 4pm, 90 min.

The story of the adopted African-American child of white Jewish lesbians. The episode examines adopted children's struggle over issues of "true" identity, and how to uncover the circumstances of their adoption.

Way of the Warrior, N 11/06/10, 7am, 60 min.

This program examines the visceral nature of war and the bravery of Native American veterans who valiantly served in the United States military during the wars of the 20th century, and explores the paradox of these proud veterans who chose to fight for a country that considered them to be outside the American mainstream.

To The Contrary With Bonnie Erbe, N 11/14/10, 7:30am, 30 min.

Fewer Women in High Profile Political Jobs: Although there are less women in Congress, there is a turnaround for conservative, minority women making significant gains.

V. Employment/Unemployment/Poverty

Need To Know, N 10/17/10, 11am, 60 min

Since the recession, a growing number of entrepreneurs nationwide have started second careers selling gourmet food from trucks on streets across the country. One of these businessmen is Oleg Voss, who lost his job as an investment banker, and now sells schnitzel from a truck in New York.

Need To Know, N 10/24/10, 11am, 60 min

As unemployment has grown in America, so too has something else--business for firms that help employers process, and in many cases challenge, unemployment claims. Need to Know Financial correspondent, Stacey Tisdale examines these third party administrators, as they're known, and discovers that many of the newly jobless, who expect to get by on unemployment benefits for a while, are in for a rude awakening.

Fixing The Future, N 11/09/10, 2:30pm, 60 min.

Host David Brancaccio visits communities across America that are using innovative approaches to create jobs and build prosperity.

VI. Environment/Ecology

Independent Lens: Power Paths, N 07/04/10, 10:30pm, 60 min.

This program follows the efforts of American Indian tribes as they explore ways to bring renewable energy projects into their communities. "Power Paths" follows their efforts to bring training and new jobs in renewable energy, installing solar energy and large wind turbines on their lands.

Need To Know, N 10/31/10, 11am, 60 min

Need to Know correspondent John Larson reports on the story behind Proposition 23, a California measure aimed at putting a halt to the state's green commitment.

Independent Lens: Butte, America, N 12/16/10, 10pm, 60 min.

You see the world differently when you work underground. That made Butte, Montana, different right from the start as immigrants came from around the world to work the mines. But what they blasted out of the 10,000 miles of tunnels was more than just copper. It was the rise of unions and multinational corporations, and the seeds of the current debate over the environment.

VII. Medical and Mental Health/Social Services

Frontline: The Quake, N 10/07/10, 8pm, 60 min.

On January 12, 2010, Haiti was leveled by one of the most devastating earthquakes in recorded history. Those responsible for handling the catastrophe, including the Haitian state and the United Nations, were crippled by the magnitude of the disaster and struggled to respond. In the confused aftermath, survivors were left without food, water or shelter.

Frontline: Obama's Deal, N 11/04/10, 8pm, 60 min.

Health care reform was the first big policy deal taken on by the Obama administration. Many say the young president has bet the mid-term elections, possibly his presidency, on the outcome. In a new investigation FRONTLINE goes behind closed doors at the White House, in Congress and the boardrooms of the giant health-care lobby to examine the political battles and costly compromises that defined Barack Obama's endeavor.

Frontline: Facing Death, N 11/24/10, 2:30pm, 60 min.

How far would you go to sustain the life of someone you love, or your own? When the moment comes, and you're confronted with the prospect of "pulling the plug," do you know how you'll respond? Unfounded rumors of federal "death panels" grabbed headlines last summer, but the real decisions of how we die -- the questions that most of us prefer to put off -- are being made quietly behind closed doors, increasingly on the floors of America's intensive care units. In this film, FRONTLINE gains access to the ICU of one of New York's biggest hospitals to examine the complicated reality of today's modern, medicalized death.

VIII. Economy/Business

Moneytrack, N 10/03/10, 8am, 30 min.

Investing together as a group can pay huge dividends, if it's done right. This episode features Honduran immigrant twins Jose and Tomas Avila, who are changing people's lives, and many mind-sets, by teaching them how to invest for the long term.

Consuelo Mack Wealthtrack, N 10/03/10, 8:30am, 30 min.

Consuelo Mack WealthTrack explores investment opportunities in the alternative energy revolution. "Financial Thought Leader" and energy analyst Bill Paul discusses some surprising developments and overlooked investment ideas.

Moneytrack, N 11/07/10, 8am, 30 min.

Viewers meet John Paul Pigeon, a 14-year-old who is an inspiration not only to his generation but to all Americans to save, invest, manage money and earn wealth. Pam and Jack talk to Laura Levine, executive director of the Jump\$tart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy, about motivating future generations to become better investors by getting back to the basics of investing.

IX. Family/Morality/Religion

Buddha, N 10/01/10, 1:30pm, 120 min.

This documentary draws upon the work of some of the world's greatest artists and sculptors, who across two millennia have depicted the Buddha's life in art rich in beauty and complexity. The testimony of contemporary Buddhists – including Pulitzer prize-winning poet W.S. Merwin and His Holiness the Dalai Lama -- provides insight into the ancient narrative.

Religion & Ethics Newsweekly, N 10/17/10, 7am, 30 min.

Journalist and poet Eliza Griswold spent the past seven years reporting on Muslim-Christian conflicts in what may be the biggest faith-based fault line in the world: the tenth parallel, the line of latitude 700 miles north of the equator in Africa and Asia. Kim Lawton talks with Griswold about the volatile mix of religion, politics and violence.

Religion & Ethics Newsweekly, N 10/24/10, 7am, 30 min.

Pilgrimage of Remembrance and Healing - Every month Chaplain Randall Haycock of Walter Reed Army Medical Center leads small groups of veterans, family members, and others on a pilgrimage to Washington's National Cathedral to remember their war dead and face their grief.